GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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POLICE EXCESSES
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the police excesses are on the rise in Delhi;

(b) if so, the number of complaints have come to the notice of the Government during 2000-2001;

(c) the extent to which it is more than the previous year;

(d) the steps taken to examine those complaints and to stop police excesses in Delhi; and

(e) the alternative measures envisaged to prevent entry of psychologically deficient entrants into the police forces?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a) to (c): No, Sir. The number of complaints of police excesses received during the years 1999, 2000 and 2001 (upto 15.3.2001) is given below:

Year	Number of complaints
1999	8255
2000	7706
2001 (upto 15.3.2001)	1362

(d): The steps taken by Delhi Police in this regard include:

(i) deterrent action in all cases where police officials are found involved in malpractices, misbehaviour, etc.;

(ii) the training syllabi both for initial training and refresher courses have been designed to inculcate amongst the police trainees, the sense of community service and respect of law. In addition, Special Courses on Human Rights are conducted;

(iii) the numbers of the Force are frequently briefed by senior officers during Sampark Sabhas about the need to behave politely and courteously with the members of the public;

(iv) the facility to ring up telephone number 3319922 has been provided in order to enable the members of the public to speedily lodge their complaints against any harassment by police officials; and

(v) the facility of P.O. Box No. 171 was introduced in July,1999 to enable members of public to send their complaints against any criminal or about corrupt behaviour of police personnel.

(e): Recruitment in Delhi Police is made after the candidates have successfully undergone a series of tests including written test, physical efficiency test, medical test and interview. The possibility of recruitment of psychologically deficient persons in Delhi Police is therefore, extremely remote.